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Joseph Smith Prophet or Fraud? Oak. Stake Quarterly Conference Held

What is your answer? Was Joseph Smith a prophet of God or a fraud? It God a person? Was Jesus actually resurrected? These questions were posed at Oakland stake's quarterly conference Sunday morning, June 25, by Joseph F. Merrill of the Council of the Twelve.

Elder Merrill urged all members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to examine all the evidence and build a personal knowledge of the answers to these questions. Study what Joseph Smith has done and taught. and find that an un-schooled boy became responsible for the greatest religious event since the coming of Jesus Christ, Son of God.

If some measure Joseph Smith's greatness by what he has done and by what he has taught, and read what other great men ouside the Church have witnessed of his greatness, you will know by his works that he was a true Prophet of God.

And, he added, "If you pray faithfully and worthily over these things, you will know that you know." Elder Merrill impressively related how he himself sought this knowledge as a youth of ten and how at age 19 while praying earnestly on this subject again he distinctly heard a voice bearing testimony to him of the truth of these things which at the same time his whole being was flooded with a joy and peace beyond all human power to describe. Other similar testimonies have come to him since that time.

Glorious music for this session was contributed by the Oakland ward choir nnder the baton of Richard Bliss.

President Wright reported the appointment of Anson C. Perkins to a newly created post, stake publicity director, to coordinate the work of our reporters for the Messenger, the Deseret News, and the local press.

He reviewed the building program: completion of Alameda ward's chapel last year; the Hayward ward chapel completed, lacking only the carpets and the pews; the San Leandro ward building remodeling; while the Stake is seeking a site for con-

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Local Observance Utah Pioneer Day

BERKELEY STAKE

Commemoration of the arrival of the Utah pioneers in Salt Lake valley is to be observed by Berkeley stake at Castle Rock park, near Walnut Creek, Saturday, 22 July, 1950, from 2 to 9 p.m.

Berkeley stake MIA officers, Jay Brown activity superintendent, in charge, have prepared a fine program. Included are swimming, horse shoes and other games, songfests, dancing and other jolly entertainment.

While lunches will be provided by each one attending the affair, ice cold watermelon will be served by the Mutual officers.

All ward members of the stake are invited to participate and to bring their children with them. A special program will keep all busy until time to leave.

Admission to the park is 25c per car wih an additional charge of 25c for each occupant of the car Facilities for the activities are the best available and weather conditions are ideal for out-of-door events.

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OAKLAND STAKE

From golf competition at 7 a.m., to dancing until 11:30 p.m., Oakland stake will celebrate Utah Pioneer day on Saturday 22 July. In between the events at Arroyo Veijo park (82nd and Olive St.), the whole stake will enjoy themselves at games, lunch and a six o'clock dinner and program about the great camp fire. A $10 prize goes to the ward having the largest attendance.

President Wright and all other stake golf addicts will try to end the controverys as to who is tops on the green. All interested are

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Ship Brooklyn LDS Pioneers Became First Settlers, Leaders, in Alamda Co.

Established First Homes, Schools, Chapels, Farms, Blacksmith Shops, Roads and Ferry in the County

It is well known that July 31 is Mormon Pioneer Day in California, being the day in 1846 when 238 storm-tossed Latter-day Saints landed from the good old ship Brooklyn and became the first Anglo-Saxon colonizers under the Stars and Stripes in California.

What is not widely known is that members of that hardy band of pilgrims soon became the first Anglo-Saxon settlers, farmers, home and community builders on the east side of San Francisco in what is now southern Alameda county. Yet the facts have been on record for many years.

Annaleona Davis Patton (Anna and "Mom" Patton), our local research historian, recently visited the communities around Centerville and talked with descendants of some of these ship Brooklyn pioneers. With the help of Alameda county historic publications and persons having first hand knowledge of events and sites, she has recreated many early day Mormon "firsts" in the great east bay region.

This research by Sister Patton, no doubt, will bear fruit in the form of plaques and markers in Alameda county in a way similar to the two marker monuments erected this spring in San Joaquin county and dedicated by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers following historian Patton's original researches.

We herewith present Mrs. Patton's Chapter I in this narrative. Readers will here learn that these first Anglo-Saxon settlers in Alameda county did not cross the bay from San Francisco where Oakland stands, but rode south from San Francisco on horseback around the southern end of the bay and up through what now is southern Alameda county and, becoming fascinated with the broad, level acres and crops in the neighborhood of Mission San Jose, re-

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President Young Describes Crude Shelters at Winter Quarters

(Winter Quarters—now Florence, 10 miles north of Omaha—on the Missouri river, was one of three settlements where saints wintered 1846-47, 250 miles from Nauvoo.)

"The buildings (at Winter Quarters) were generally of logs from 12 to 18 feet long, a few were split, and made from lynn and cottonwood timber; many roofs were made by splitting oak timber into boards, called shakes, about three feet wide and six inches wide, and kept in place by weights and poles; others were made of willows, straw and earth, about a foot thick; some of puncheon. Many cabins had no floors; there were a few dugouts on the sidehills—the fireplace was cut out at the upper end. The ridge-pole roof was supported by two uprights in the center and roofed with straw and earth, with chimneys of prairie sod. The doors were made of shakes with wooden hinges and string latches; the inside of the log houses was daubed —with clay; a few had stoves; 1000 of these buildings were erected." —History of Brigham Young, Mss, 1846. Bk 2, page534.

This Month's Messenger is Dedicated to Our Two Great July Pioneer Anniversaries----July 24, Utah's Pioneer Day, and July 31, California's Ship Brooklyn Day!!

Brigham Young Comments on Exodus

The Saints Driven Out in Midwinter, Over Roadless Indian Lands, Unsheltered From Cold and Storms

Reflecting upon the sad and needless sufferings endured at Sugar Creek, the first camp in Iowa, about nine miles from Nauvoo, where the first awful three wintry weeks were spent, when the saints' were cruely forced from their comfortable Nauvoo dwellings, Brigham Young recorded in his journal:

"The fact is worthy of remembrance that several thousand persons left their homes in midwinter and exposed themselves without shelter, except that supplied by the scanty supply of tents and wagon covers, to a cold so intense that it made an ice bridge over the Mississippi river, which at Nauvoo is more than a mile broad.

"We could have remained sheltered in our homes(until warm spring weather) had it not been for threats and hostile demonstrations of our enemies, not withstanding their solemn agreements, had thrown every obstacle in our way, not respecting either life, liberty or property; so much that the only way of avoiding a rupture was by starting in midwinter."—Quoted from A Comprehensive History of the Church, Vol. III, pp. 45-46.

Col. Thos. L. Kane Praises Pioneers

Col. Kane, a consistent friend to the Saints, came upon the camps of the pioneers enroute from Fort Leavenworth to the east. He later wrote:

"There was something joyous for me in my rambles about this vast body of pilgrims. I could range the wild country wherever I listed, under safeguard of their moving host. By day, I would overtake and pass, one after another, what amounted to an army train of them; and at night, if I encamped at the places where the timber and running water were found together, I was almost sure to be within call of some camp or other, or at least in sight of its watchfires.

Wherever I was compelled to tarry, I was certain to find shelter and hospitality, scant, indeed, but

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Exodus to Greatness First Shelterless Nights Out of Nauvoo

By Eliza R. Snow, poetess author of "O, My Father."

Eliza R. Snow, herself a woman of education and refinement, poetess, and a woman of both high character and ability, wrote in her diary:

"We had been preceded (from Nauvoo) by thousands, and I was informed that on the first night of the encampment, (February 5, 1846 , nine children were born into the world, and from that time, as we journeyed onward, mothers gave birth to offspring under almost every variety of circumstances imaginable, except those to which they had been accustomed; some in tents, others in wagons—in rainstorms and in snowstorms.

"I heard of one birth which occurred under the rude shelter of a hut, the sides of which were formed of blankets fastened to poles stuck in the ground, with a bark roof, through which the rain was dripping. **Kind sisters stood holding dishes to catch the water as it fell, thus protecting the newcomer and its mother from a showerbath as the little innocent first entered on the stage of human life; and through faith in the Great Ruler of events, no harm resulted to either.**

"Let it be remembered that the mothers of these wilderness-born babies were not savages, accustomed to roam the forest and brave the storm and tempest—those who had never known the comforts and delicacies of civilization and refinement. Most of them were born and educated in the eastern states—had there embraced the gospel as taught by Jesus and his apostles, and, for the sake of their religion, had gathered with the saints, and under trying circumstances had assisted, by their faith, patience and energies, in making Nauvoo what its name indicates—'the Beautiful.' **There they had lovely homes, decorated with flowers and enriched with choice fruit trees, just beginning to yield plentifully.**

"To these homes, without lease or sale, they had just bade a final adieu, and with what little of their substance could be packed into one, two, and in some instances, three wagons, had started out, desertward, for—where? To this question the only response at that time was, 'God knows.'"

—A Comprehensive History of the Church by B. H. Roberts—page 45.

Forced Exodus Taken Patiently, Cheerfully

Nauvoo Exiles Were Not Soured, Nor Hardened, Nor Disheartened

As the exiles were patient and cheerful in their actual sufferings, so, too, were they moderate, as a rule in their reports of their trials.

Chief among those reports worthy of all respect is one made by the late President John Taylor who participated in the scenes he describes. What he says of these matters was in a communication addressed to the saints in England. In this article, while he dwells at some length upon the sufferings of his people from the fury of the pitiless story—the drifting snow, the pelting hail, and the icy chill of tempests, Elder Taylor does not forget to vindicate God, whose part of it was to stand very near to his people in such trying times.

"We sustained no injury therefrom; our health and our lives were preserved—we outlived the trying scenes—we felt contented and happy—the songs of Zion resounded from wagon to wagon—from tent to tent; the sound reverberated through the woods, and its echo was returned from the distant hills; peace, harmony and contentment reigned in the inhabitations of the saints."

So, soo, in speaking of the privations of camp life his diary records:

"It is true that in our sojournings we do not possess all the luxuries and delicacies of old, established countries and cities, but

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Why Worry About The Atomic Bomb?

Dr. Henry Eyring of the U. of U. sai in a talk at the BYU leadership week, "More people will die from worrying about the atomic bomb than will ever be hit by it." And, he sagely added, "Since no man can forsee the end, one might as well be happy as sad. Science is an integral part of religion, and vice versa. I feel that this will come about the way the Lord wants it to."

Elder Eyring also added that the United States must do all it can to be prepared for any eventuality in the atomic age, but said that worry or mass hysteria over atomic warfare would help no one.

Temple Caravan at Lunch; Guests of the Saints at Elko, June 18, '50

Temple Caravan at lunch June 18 195 , guests of the Saints at Elko, Nevada.

As the Berkeley Stake Temple Pilgrimage crossed Nevada they rested overnight at Winnemucca and held a street meeting there. Sunday they attended Sunday School and had lunch at Elko.

Seen in the group are more than 100 out of the total of more than 200 who composed the largest temple pilgrimage from California ever to trek to the Salt Lake Temple.

Among the faces recognized from left to right are Bro. and Sis. Nico D. Snel and child, Eugene Hilton, Gordon Rose, Sis. Harris and son from Vallejo; "Jack" Smith (the missionary in his way to Salt Lake City and Canadian Mission); Mr. and Mrs. Clyde W. Lindsay, Jr., and children; Bro. and Sis. Franz and son, David Wood, Sis. Lewis of Vallejo; Bishop Wallace J. Wightman in Richmond (the only one still partaking of lunch); David Harris of Vallejo, Bro. Theodore Fitts of the High Council; Bro. and Sis. Blaisdell of Fairfield; Bishop and Mrs. A. Seldon Millward of Claremont; George Badouin and child; Cornell, Lois, Kent, Karen and Don Jarmon; Delbert H. Rock, Ellise Picklesimer, E. M. Gleason, Phil Lewis and Lloyd Johnson.

Shown also are brethern of Elko.

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Elder Dangerfield Gets Press Notice

Daryl C. Dangerfield of Claremont ward and his senior companion, Elder George C. Sparks, whose home is in Nampa, Idaho, have the honor of a four-column illustrated article in an Illinois paper, May 26, 1950, regarding their missionary labors in Alton, Illinois, just a few miles up the Mississippi river from Nauvoo. The photos of both elders are displayed.

The article is one of the longest and most complete and perfect in statement that it has been our pleasure to read. The plan of LDS missionary work wherein the elders pay their own expenses and ask no donations, the methods of tracting and seeking conversations on the Gospel and of holding "home" Sunday Schools, and a study class Sunday evenings, the story of the Prophet Joseph Smith and the coming forth of the Book of Mormon; the purposes of the restoration of the Gospel and its messages to the world, all these are clearly, interestingly recounted.

The article closes thus: "One gets the impression, in talking with these young men, that all they ask of anyone is a fair trial, an opportunity to tell others of the revelation of the Book of Mormon—which it seems to this writer, is pretty important to a fellow who is willing to contribute two years of his life and approximately $2000 toward that end."

Congratulations to Daryl C. for the faithful and humble spirit and the prayerful zeal he evidently is carrying into his missionary services for the Kingdom. We knew he would fill a most worthy mission.

Berkeley Ward

SECOND

BY BISHOP GREEN.

Berkeley Second Ward mourns the passing of Leonard W. Harris, who served so faithfully as ward organist until his recent release. Further details will be found elsewhere in this paper.

We are happy to have our young people home who have been away at college. Laura Summerhays graduated from the University of Utah with her major in music. Barbara Green graduated from the BYU with her major in elementary education. Leanore Ream and Ken Leth each have one more year at the Y.

Those able and faithful people, Clif and Grace Boyack, are operating Berkeley city summer camp at Casadero again. They maintain a mighty fine camp for the benefit of people who want to rest or just desire to get out into the woods. A. Warren Larson, of the bishopric, is on the staff this year. Warren likes camping and will be able to contribute much for the good of the camp. Joan Hickman is on the staff again this year with her many talents.

We have had several good reports from those who went on the temple excursion. Many are still visiting in the valleys of the mountains. We hope the enthusiasm developed in the excursion will lead on to greater genealogical research in preparation for future excursions to the Temples to perform ordinances in behalf of our loved ones who did not have an opportunity to do the work themselves.

Berkeley Second ward sustained a real loss again when George and Nell Hughes moved to Menlo Park the latter part of June. Menlo Park ward gains from our loss.

Remember Priesthood meeting at 8:40 and Sunday school at 10 a.m., with Sacrament meeting at 5:00 p. m. for the next year. We have an excellent chapel in which to meet. Teachers and speakers and musicians will give of their time and talents without charge, in a united effort to make the Sabbath what it should be in your life and mine. Let's you and I plan to be there. We have an appointment to be the guests of our Father in heaven in His house on the Sabbath day. This thought has been expressed by President Smith several times in his conference addresses. Let us be sure that the thing we do when we fail to keep this appointment is more important. "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." It is a holy day and not a holiday.

Mary Watkinson, our very popular musician and accompanist for the Mormon Male Chorus, was married June 14 to Jos. C. Walkman. Their home will be at 2234 Haste street. We regret to lose them from our ward.

WANTED—An old-fashioned, reclining wheel chair. Phone Marshall Stoddard, KEllogg 2-1341.

Claremont Ward

All 26 members of the Claremont ward who went to Salt Lake Temple with the Caravan which left Berkeley, Saturday, June 17, reported a very happy and inspirational trip. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hatt were especially happy for the fine work for their ancestry which was completed. They were fortunate in getting endowments for 86 members of their family, the highest number reported for any one family during the Caravan. It was a glorious experience. We already are looking forward to a larger group in the Caravan next year. We extend our thanks to Bro- D. R. Rock and Bro. Nathan Tolman for their untiring efforts in making this trip a most pleasant one for everyone concerned.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVar Millward are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy born June 21, 1950. This little fellow will be known to you as Allen Thomas Millward. We in Claremont are looking forward to the day when Allen will be old enough to be a deacon. Mother and Father are doing fine and the baby is cute.

Cupid surely has been busy this month (June). A lovely bridal shower was given for Helen Burdette Tuesday, June 20, by Rehn Harker, June Neilson and Enid Young. Many friends were in attendance and the presents were beautiful.

Mary McGinnis was entertained at a kitchen shower given by Helen Burdette Tuesday, June 27. No excuse now, Mary, for not having the proper utensils to prepare a meal.

A wedding of interest to many readers of the Messenger is that of LaVern Gaisford and George Bain who were married June 21, 1950. Arthur Burdette read the ceremony before a few friends and members of the family It was a simple but beautiful wedding and surely George and LaVern look very happy.

June 25 was the day of days for Glenna Lowry. In the Little Chapel of the Flowers, Berkeley, Glenna exchanged vows with Edward Melzer from Long Beach, California. A garden reception was held at the home of the bride s parents immediately after the wedding. The handsome couple disappeared later in the afternoon, where they are spending their honeymoon is still a secret.

Another wedding of interest to all of us is that of Mary McGinnie to Orlando Bowman which took place July 1, 1950, in the Piedmont Community church. The ceremony was performed by Bishop A. S. Millward. Orlando, as you will all remember, is that good looking eligible bachelor lawyer who did so well as the president of the YMMIA last season. We are looking forward to spending a similar pleasant year with Orlando in the MIA this year only he will have Mary as his little helper. This happy couple will spend their honeymoon in Utah visiting friends and relatives.

LaPrele Badouin brought home another honor award for Claremont ward. She won the Berkeley stake high award for her Book of Remembrance. Most surely she was deserving as her book is the most complete and the most outstanding piece of work along this line that has ever been displayed in our stake. Congratulations to you, LaPrele; we are very proud of you.

Members of the Claremont ward home from college for the summer vacation are: Barbara Burgan, Kenny Leth, Julia Ellsworth and Margaret Petri.

We are happy to welcome David Cummings and his wife back to Claremont ward. They are such active members that we miss them terribly when they are away.

Something new has been added to the MIA organization especially designed to interest all you young married couples between the ages of 2g and 35 years. We hope you good young people so arrange your programs that you will be able to attend our meetings this coming season. Help us to get a good start in this class, and the remainder of the year will take care of itself.

The watermelon bust held in Joaquin Miller Park, Wednesday, June 28 was one long to be remembered by all those who attended. Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Young and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Olsen were in charge of this party and with such leadership one can't help having fun. Please keep in touch with this group; they have more fun in store for you during the next two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Remington are visiting with Mrs Remington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don C. Wood. Welcome home again, Marjorie and Earl.

Summer Primary is meeting at 10 o'clock on Wednesday mornings. The officers would like everyone to come out and enjoy the fun and games.

Mrs. Bertha Winn Vacations in the East

Mrs. Bertha Winn, wife of the late V. B. Winn, first publisher of the Messenger, and who carried on the printing business after her husband's demise until "Bud," the son, could return from service and take over, has left her home on Grove street, Oakland, for a month's visit with relatives and sight seeing in Utah, Colorado, Arizona and Texas, besides "doing" Yellowstone National park.

She will see a brother in Evanston, and other relatives in Toolele, Ogden and Kaysville.

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LA PRELE BADOUIN

La Prele Badouin of Claremont won the award for her book, "Treasures of Truth" in the Berkeley stake MIA Junior Girl and Gleaner Girl work.

Her book is one of the most beautiful and comprehensive volumes we have ever seen, comprising 80 pages and the pages filled with pictures, writings, and enclosures like her patriarchial blessing, programs, etc.

Each large 8x10 folio is enclosed in perfect celephane, the whole bound in the beautiful stiff covers ornately decorated and all furnished by the General MIA Board to the stakes and wards. The cover is a gem of art.

The five sections of the book embrace "My Story," "Sacred to Me," "My Kin," "My Friends," and "My Hobbies," each section beginning with a delightfully clever frontispage furnished with the book and the cover.

Because of the "Sacred to Me" and "My Kin" sections, the book is a choice treasure of such things as her blessing, certificate of baptism and confirmation, Behive Girl honor award, photos of ancestry, pedigree chart, etc.

La Prele is gifted in music and the book contains many programs and group pictures of musical organizations with which she has performed.

The book is an inspiration to all who see it, and an impetus to all, old and young, to go to and do likewise.

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Utah-Idaho Notes

President George Albert Smith, president (for the Church) of the Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., addressed 300 farmers at a dinner in Shelly, Idaho, June 19. .....J. Reuben Clark, a director of the company, told the meeting that there is justification for the Church to be in business to help stabilize the people in a worthwhile industry in any given area.....Utah's census population totals 684,410, an increase of 134,100 or 25 per cent over 1940. The three county leaders are Salt Lake, Weber and Provoo.

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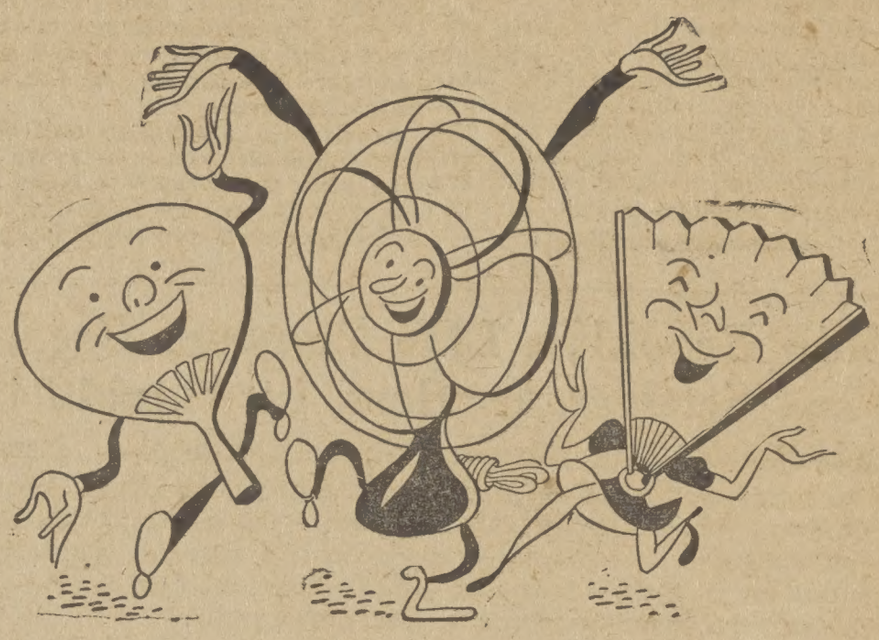

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Greatest MIA Leadership Institute to Begin Aug. 7; Three Sectional Sessions

Berkeley stake's fourth annual MIA leadership institute will get underway Monday, August 7, and Thursday, August 10, at the Vallejo ward chapel for the northern wards. The second session will be held in Martinez Monday and Wednesday, August 14 and 16; and the third in Berkeley, Monday and Thursday, August 21 and 2', it was announced by Kirke M. Decker, MIA stake institute director.

The program outlined for the institutes promises to exceed all past efforts in scope and importance of material. Many changes in the MIA program, together with realignments in the assignment of age groups will require that all officers and teachers of wards become thoroughly familiar with the details of their respective activities and subjects.

Included in the program are discussions of current problems, effective methods for teaching and presenting programs, and demonstrations of methods and technics. Also scheduled in the program are informative and inspirational talks by prominent stake and other leaders.

SESSIONS SCHEDULED

Sessions at Vallejo will include leaders of the Carquinez, Vallejo and Napa wards, and Fairfield and Rodeo branches with Carquinez as host. Dates: August 7 and 14.

Martinez, Pittsburg and Walnut Creek will participate in sessions at the Martinez ward chapel August 14 and 16 with Martinez as host.

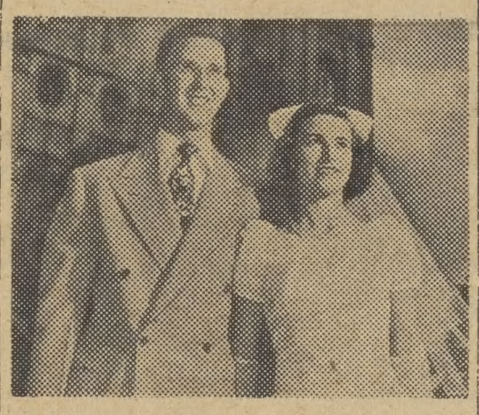
Final institute sessions will be held at the Berkeley ward chapel August 21 and 24 with the Berkeley First and Second, Claremont, East Richmond and Richmond wards participating, with Claremont ward as host.

All seessions will start at 7:30 p.m. and continue for two hours.

Stake officers are urging that all ward MIA officers and bishops immediately fill all vacancies on Ward MIA boards to insure a full attendance of all officers and teachers at all of the meetings of the institute. They declare that the institute will aid them materially in their work and will promote enthusiasm and interest in the Church recreational program.

Detailed information and programs are being prepared for distribution at an early date. Further information may be obtained from Brother Decker at Berkeley 7-1420-J, or other stake Mutual board members.

BILL BURNHAM AND FLOYANA McALLISTER



William Earl Burnham, formerly of Berkeley ward, and Floyann McAllister of Dimond ward, were united in marriage June 22 in the Salt Lake temple by Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of Twelve.

A reception honored the bridal couple in the Bryan ward meeting house. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McAllister, well known in the east bay. Mr. McAllister is a member of the Liahona club and proprietor of the typewriter, adding machine and office machine business on 23rd and Broadway, known as the "Typewriter Doctors."

Both young people are former students at the University of California.

A wedding reception was held for the happy couple at the LDS Institute, Berkeley, July 5.

Colonel Kane

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never stinted, and always honest and kind. After a recent unavoidable association with the border inhabitants of Western Missouri and Iowa, the vile scum which our own society, to apply the words of an admirable gentleman and eminent divine, 'like the great ocean washes upon its frontier shores,' **I can scarcely describe the gratification I felt in associating again with persons who were almost all of eastern American origin—persons of refined and cleanly habits and decent language, and every day seemed to bring with it its own special incident, fruitful in the illustration of habits and character."**—A Comprehensive History of the Church by B. H. Roberts, Vol. III, p. 133.

Oakland Ward

BERNADINE ADAMS, TE. 4861.

Oakland ward is growing: born to Bob and Janet Bundy was a son, Kim Free, 8 lbs. 3 oz., June 23; born to Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Noorda was a son, Dennis Blair, 9 lbs., June 24. Congratulations, proud parents, and welcome to the little newcomers.

Vacationing in Salt Lake City are Mr. and Mrs. Angus Norberg and family, Elaine Renshaw and Pearl Bliss.

Vic and Oral are Mr. and Mrs. Grow as of June 20. They were married in the Salt Lake Temple and following the ceremony a reception was held. The "just weds" honeymooned in Oregon. Later, a reception for the couple was held in Oakland ward, June 29. Vic is attending San Francisco State College. The happy couple are residing in Oakland.

Who's wearing an engagement ring? Lynnea Farnsworth? Yes, Lynnea and Rulon Ogden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ogden are planning their wedding for August 14. Rulon recently returned from the Argentine Mission. Lynnea formerly lived in Salt Lake City with her mother and sisters Good wishes, kids.

Oakland ward softball team is leading the league so far. Please come out and root for the boys. It's fun.

Our MIA reorganization has been effected: Violet Christensen has replaced La Rue Jones as president who has won our gratitude for the fine work accomplished these past three years. With Violet will be Manual Counselor La Rue Jones, Activity Counselor, Bernie Adams, Secreary, Anona Piercy.

Mutual is fun this summer Won't you all join us every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.?

Many of the Oakland warders journeyed to Santa Cruz for the 4th of July.

Letters have come from our farmer bishop, Vinal Mauss and Ethel and family from Japan where Vinal is presiding over the Japanese Mission. We are glad their efforts are bringing joy and happiness to them and to the Japanese people. The Mauss family will appreciate letters from warders.

Flying to Hawaii were Rita Kaleikau and daughter, Estrella. They are visiting relatives and will return in six weeks.

Congratulations to Flora Sears, new stake president, and to Fern Hatfield, the activity counselor

Alameda Ward

Elder Harold Clayson, who recently left for the Mexican Mission, wishes to thank everyone for their wonderful help and cooperation.

Delores (Knowles) and Kenny Pike are proud to be the parents of a seven and one-fourth pound boy, Steven R. Pike.

of Don and Meda Hughes, is visiting with her children from Nampa, Idaho, for a month, while her husband attends the National Scout Jamboree.

June 26 was a day of celebrating for Alamedans as it commemorated the first anniversary of the dedication of our chapel. The ward teachers were hosts for a pot luck dinner, dancing and a program with the Mormon Male Chorus included.

Betty Jo (Goodman) and Irving Campbell are again residents of Alameda, after living in Radondo Beach, California, since their marriage.

We want to thank all the Relief Society officers, just released, for the fine work accomplished. Newly sustained officers are Lucille Schow, president; Evelyn Barlow, 1st counselor; Edna Burke, second counselor, and Erma Lane, secretary.

The Junior Class of the Sunday School enjoyed an outing at Tilden Park with their fine teacher, Wendell Jensen, on June 24. The Boy Scouts also enjoyed an overnight trip on June 24.

Vallejo Ward News

LA RUE POWELL.

One of themost outstanding members of our ward is our own bishop, Henry Neerings. Some years ago in the country of Holland, he was born to parents who had just been converted to the Mormon Church by missionaries. Someeight years later, on the Fourth of July, the Neerings family arrived in Ogden, Utah and during this same week, took up their residence in Salt Lake City. They had left their native land, loved ones and friends to come to Zion to enjoy the fullness of the gospel of Christ.

Life in Salt Lake City was filled with education and religious training and later on this young man was privileged to return to Holland where he spent a successful two and a half years serving as a missionary for the Church.

Upon coming to California from Salt Lake City to live in 1927, Bishop Neerings assumed his position in schools and Church.

He was married to Sarah Davey, in 1931. Three children were born to them, two of whom are living.

He served as a stake missionary in Oakland and San Francisco for many years until 1935 when he moved to Vallejo to work in the Mare Island navy yard, where he is now a chromium engineer. It was then that he was sustained as counselor to Bishop Alvin Cheshire. Later, in 1941, he became bishop. During these years, until 1945, he worked diligently to secure the fine building which we are now meeting in. Much credit is due him for the hours he tpent trying to obtain priorities even to the extent of visiting in Washington to clear building possibilities, when war conditions made it so difficult.

During the period between 1945 and 1949 he served as a High Councilman to the Stake Presidency. At the present time he is again serving as bishop of our ward. We appreciate his efforts and realize the enormous responsibility he has. May we be ever respectful toward him and realize his position by being cooperative in that which he may ask us to do.

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Again another month has passed since our last message to you. I find that progress has been made. Eleven were baptized and three children blessed. We have received 12 certificates of membership and only sent away one. By means of the census which was taken many other members of the Church have been located. Our fulltime missionaries, every day are locating families who have not identified themselves in the ward.

Let us as Latter-day Saints resolve this day to do our part to assist the bishopric in their efforts to build up the spirituality, attendance and activity of the ward.

"Cast your bread upon the waters and after many days it shall be returned to you."

The bishopric of your ward pray the Lord's blessings upon you all and all the saints everywhere.

HENRY NEERINGS.

Berkeley Stake July-August Calendar

22 July Saturday—Pioneer day celebration, Castle Rock park, Walnut Creek, 2:00 p.m.

2 August Wednesday—Stake board meeting, Berkeley chapel, 7:30 p.m.

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* Monday and Wednesday, August 14 and 16—Martinez, Pittsburg and Walnut Creek wards—Martinez chapel.
* Monday and Thursday, August 21 and 24—Berkeley First and Second, Claremont, East Richmond and Richmond wards—Berkeley chapel.

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There was one occasion when even the grizzled Captain Richardson became convinced all was lost. Going below to inform his Mormon charges they might as well prepare for he worst, he was astonished and ashamed by their show of composure.

And then, when death and watery grave seemed most imminent, the wind suddenly shifted, and gradually died to sailing breeze. The mighty swells and dashing seas, which for days had threatened to broach the ship, slowly lulled to a gentle shop. The long-hidden sun shone again in answer to their prayers.

After burying their dead in the steelly waters of the Atlantic, the Saints knelt in prayerful thanksgiving for deliverance from the storm.—Sam Brannon and the California Mormons, by Paul Bailey, pp. 32,33.

Leonard Wilbur Harris Passes

Funeral services were held in the Berkeley chapel June 22nd for Leonard Wilbur Harris, who passed on the 20th after an illness of over five weeks. Brother Harris was the son of Leo Albert Harris and Kate Greenwell. He was born in Ogden, Utah, February 18, 1912, and received his degree in chemistry from the A.C. at Logan. At the time of his death he was a research chemist for the California Spray Chemical Company.

In his associations he fulfilled the commandment: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Men called him their good friend.

He was loyal and faithful in the wards of the Church where he lived. Since coming to the Bay Area, he served as a member of the bishopric in the Richmond ward, and when Berkeley Second Ward was organized he became ward organist in many gatherings on a moment's notice when a regular organist was unable to be present. All knew him and will miss him very much in the days to come.

Our sympathy goes out to his lovely wife and children in their bereavement.

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The Liahona Club, the lively east bay business and professional men's dinner-discussion aggregation, got together at their regular fourth Monday evening session at the Colonial Cafeteria balcony Monday, June 26, with vice-president Don J. Allphin presiding.

After a well prepared address by Wm. M. Powell, partner and general manager of the Crown Electrical Maintenance Company of San Francisco on the founding and growth problems in establishing such a business in a large city the club passed favorably a motion to accept the selected camp site on the Stanislaus river which has now been resurveyed by the Forestry Service and found to be about 15 acres in area, which is more ample for the camp purposes than was at first estimated by the Service when the Club officers selected the place last fall. Committee chairman, Sam Scott answered further questions of the members, and impressed the fact the camp will be a great boon to our young people's organizations of the two stakes.

Several felt that Northern California should have such facilities for the same reasons that prompted Pasadna stake to provide "Cumorah Crest," for the youth organizations of the Southland colony.

Endorsement also was accorded the suggestion of I. B. Ball, editor of The Messenger, that LDS business men of the region furnish The Messenger the rough draft of business news notes which the editor may then recast into form for a lively column of "Business News Notes" each month—just informal statements of little news notes of each one's business that may afford the basis of rewritten items of general interest.

CHURCH BUYS MAYER 505-ACRE RANCH

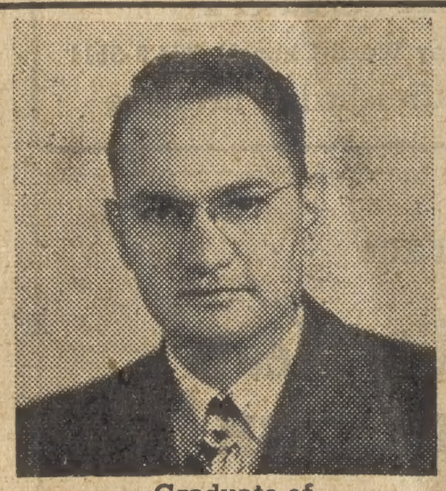
The Church Welfare has purchased the 505-acre Louis B. Mayer "Perris Ranch," 15 miles southeast of Riverside, for $400,000 for production of welfare foods.

In addition to the main mansion there are nine houses on the property, 11 barns, 74 horse stalls, a large garage for car maintenance, a blacksmith shop, paint shop, machine shop, all surrounded by 35 miles of link wire fencing. Five wells and many automatic watering troughs, furit and shade trees, flowers and lawns.

In charge of the ranch is Henry J. Jorgensen, recently released as president of Palo Alto stake, and now on the General Church Welfare Committee.

UTAH AGGIE ALUMNI

The Utah State Agricultural College Alumni of the east bay got together June 30 for a round-up at the LDS Institute, 2368 Le Conte, Berkeley, according to a call by the co-chairmen, Hazel Owens Ball and Shirley Beutler Clyde. Dick Owens emceed the affair.



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Life On the Good Ship Brooklyn

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By Annaleone Davis Patton.

Most voyagers were young married couples with one or more children. However, some families had as many as six children. One hundred of the 238 souls were children, 65 were men and 73 women. Many had never met before they assembled on board the ship.

Some had never seen the ocean, while some came from small sea port towns and were as much at ease in a skip jack, or sea saucer, as a western boy is on a pony. This knowledge of sailboats greatly influenced their first farming venture in California where sailboats on the rivers were almost unknown. The Indians of the San Joaquin used tule rafts if they used the rivers at all.

The grief of leaving loved ones and friends and the fear of venturing into the unknown was eased by the common objective and faith and hope in the future. Life on the Brooklyn soon became organized and well regulated. A cook and cook's helper had been employed but the women volunteered for certain galley service such as dishwashing, waiting on tables and serving.

Eliza Ann Brannan (Sam's wife) was a snob and refused to do the serving or waitress work. After some disputes it was decided that Sam Brannan and wife should dine with Captain Richardson.

Fanny Corwin, Mrs. Brannan's mother, a devout and democratic woman, always tried to do double duty to make up for her daughter's snobbery, but this inconsideration was the "fine edge of a great wedge" that forever separated her from the friendship of the other women and eventually from her church, her home and her country. She was never a happy person.

Many families brought their own food which accounts for the fact that the dread disease of scurvy affected certain families and spared others. The staterooms were grouped around a large hall. In this hall was a large table which served as dining table, school table, sewing table, council table. Religious services and amusements took place here also.

This room and the staterooms might have been more comfortable for the six months it was to render such concentrated service if the ceiling had been high enough for the average adult to stand erect, but it was not. This fact, coupled with forced intimate association and crowding on the little ship, must have called for all the patiense, self-control and intelligence that could be rallied in moments of doubt, disagreement, discouragements, sickness and death. Yet, the courage, trust and faith of these saints never wavered.

Husbands died and left widows with children, wives died and left a husband with as many as six children to take to the unknown Zion, mothers saw the bodies of their beloved babies lowered into the unimpressionable ocean, but such never lost their testimony.

Sarah Burr cheerfully boarded the Brooklyn knowing that in three weeks her baby was to be born. There was no doctor on board. Her child was born when expected and was named John Atlantic Burr. Three weeks later her three-year old son died and was buried at sea. Shortly after the arrival of the Brooklyn at Yerba Buena (San Francisco) the Burrs built a home there, but when the main body of the church settled in the Salt Lake Valley the Burrs, along with other faithful ones, gave up their possessions, migrated to the Valley of the mountains and began again.

Other cases of faith and sacrifice for their faith are unmatched among these Pacific Pilgrims. Silas Aldrich's death left a widow with two children; Mrs. Ensign and Mrs. Narramore were widowed while the Brooklyn slowly cruised toward San Francisci.

Silas Goodwin's wife died leaving him with six children, and Mrs. Goodwin was buried on Masatierra, in the Juan Fernandez Islands. This is the place where Selkirk (the real Robinson Crusoe) lived.

Many children died and were buried at sea. The manuscript of William Glover, written in 1884, for Franklin D. Richards and later given to H. H. Bancroft (now in Bancroft Library at Berkeley, California) list all these people as faithful in the church. After the death of a young man on the Brooklyn a song was composed and is now included in the song book of "The Daughters of Utah Pioneer."

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advised to make their reservations for time to play at the Chabot Golf course.

At twelve noon the frolic for everyone will start at Arroyo Viejo park with hot dogs and the other fixings provided by the stake, we understand. For children of all ages there will be any number and variety of races, games and things, with prizes to please the winners.

For the afternoon are scheduled softball games in which the Alameda ward team will play the Oakland stake Junior all-stars. Also, under the direction of Harold P. Hansen, the stake championship softball team will play the Oakland stake all-stars. Volley ball games will be going on for everyone, and a grand tug of war; and a fresh egg race that might be awful to see.

When it comes to horse shoe pitching, Bishop Francis Winkel has "stuck his neck out" with an open challenge to the men of the stake for championship honors.

Pony ride concession will be operating for those who wish to treat their children.

The day will reach its climax at the stake dance for everyone in the Alameda recreation hall, 8:30 to 11:30. Refreshments will be served as the crowd dances to the strains of Homer Cockrell's orchestra.

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Napa Ward News

The Relief Society closing social was in the form of an outdoor breakfast the first Tuesday in June. All of the members were invited to the home of Sister Betty Daniel at Rutherford, where they enjoyed waffles with strawberries and whipped cream. Sisters Beatrice Lundell and Dorothy Knowlton each received a gift in appreciation of their splendid work as secretary and welfare respectively. After the delicious meal, Sister Daniel conducted the ladies on a tour of the lovely gardens at Inglenook Ranch.

The finance committee has been revamped with a view to intensifying the drive for funds to build our new chapel. The Monticello Terrace sub-division has been approved by the State Real Estate Division, the streets are rough graded and the sewers installed. Lots are being sold under the direction of Brother Henry L. Peterson and homes will soon be built in this area which is regarded by many as the most desirable building site in Napa.

Early in the month a group of men and women turned out to the Welfare Farm and planted tomatoes to meet the quota called for by the Welfare assignment. The prune crop has been damaged somewhat by the hot weather, but promises plenty of work for the "prune pickers."

The first home to be started on the Monticello Terrace constitutes a priesthood project. Under the sponsorship of the Elders' Quorum the priesthood turned out in force on July 4th and put in forms, etc., for concrete which will be poured Friday, July 7. The home is being built for Sister Olive and her family.

The sympathy of the ward is extended to Brother Allan C. Woolley and family; while returning to Napa from Fresno the car swerved into a bridge and plunged into a canal. Both passengers (Brother Woolley s mother and aunt) were killed.

The Fireside group now meets on the second and fourth Sundays, the new officers elected to serve for three months are Robert W. Keller, president; Boyd Hancock, secretary, and Carol Lee Stubbs, music director.

Napa has enjoyed the services of two lady missionaries, Sister Lloyd of Grace, Idaho, and Sister Jenkins of Heber City, Utah, for a brief season. Due to ill-health Sister Jenkins was ordered home for a rest. Two travelling elders have been laboring in Napa for several weeks and as a result some saints have been contacted and brought into touch with the ward. Elder Webb hails from Sandy, Utah, and Elder Fletcher is a Loganite.

A baby boy came to enrich the home of Brother and Sister Allan C. Woolley on May 2. Name, Dwayne Jex Woolley.

Softball has occupied the place of interest recently and the "boys' have given good support to Manager Bill Stubbs. It is too early to make any optimistic forecasts but our hopes are high.

Bishop Keller and family plan to spend the second week of July on vacation but the place is a deep, dark secret as yet. We hope that he will onjoy a period of real rest which he so richly deserves.

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Dimond Ward

STELLA S. HOOPES

Welcome home from school BYC ten, we missed you and we are glad you are back. Richard Phelps didn't stay with us long. His farewell was held June 14 after which his parents motored with him back to Salt Lake City and the mission home. Richard leaves July 6 for Uruguay.

We are happy to have Nellemae and Joe Tanner, Norma and Carl Erickson and families back with us in Dimond. Nellemae and Norma are new Primary teachers.

Katherine Kollenbaum, Joyce Allstrom and Irene Berg were released from the Primary presidency with a vote of thanks for their long and faithful service. June Smith is now Primary president with Helen Lauper and Melba Rainey as her counselors; good wishes, girls.

We all extend our sympathy to Bro. and Sis. Edgar Parsons on the loss of their baby. May the Lord bless you with better things in the future.

On May 23 a beautiful little girl was born to Beth and Frank Eggertsons; she will be known as Grace Ann. On this same day, Linda, a darling if there ever was one, arrived as the fifth child of Ida and Jarman Hunt. Belma and Wesley Thomas were blessed with their first, Michael Stacy, nine pounds, born June 17. May everything that's good come to these darlings.

We advise Bill and Ann Powell to read "Cheaper by the Dozen" and see how those children were accounted for. Really, folks, four children aren't many; can't see any reason for leaving one at the beach. It was funny for everyone but little Billy.

Many of us were wishing we too could "hit the road' leading to conference and the temple excursion but we are in hopes our turn isn t too far off. The reports of their visits were very exciting and interesting.. Among the many visiting the temple were Earl and Erva Wilson. Congratulations we are ever so happy for you both.

On June 17 Ilean Miller became Mrs. Arthur Lee Hauborck. They were married by Bishop Elmo Smith at the Chapel of the Chimes.

Floy Ann McCallister became Mrs. William Earl Burnham June 32 in the Salt Lake Temple. They motored to beautiful Yellowstone for their honeymoon.

June 2 heard Naomi Booth saying "I do" to Brigham Young Card in the Cardston Temple. They will live in Edmonton, Canada, where Brigham will be assistant professor of education. We are sorry to lose them but hope they'll soon be back. The very best of everything to all you newlyweds.

Ruth and Patriarch Eugene Hilton entertained their many friends at Dimond ward. Son John showed interesting color slides of his mission and a display of his many purchases brought back from Brazil. John proudly introduced his fiancee, Jan Fenn from Gallup, New Mexico. They met at BYU and it is rumored they plan to be married in August.

The Relief Society's closing party was rather a unique one. Hilarious isn't the word, but the main thing was that everyone had a good time, mainly the ones on the program.

If you want to get a job done just ask Bishop Smith about the scavenger hunt he and June arranged when the census taking in Dimond ward was completed. He's a "smart ole fox." Chilli, watermelon and all the trimmings were served after and everyone had a good time for a worthy cause.

Gary Heiner's tonsilectomy will be long remembered by one, mainly Gary. After five days he returned to the hospital for three not-to-happy days. Gary is slowly getting his color and strength back to normal for which we are all very happy.

If you want to know how to catch fish by the gross with the least effort, ask Herbie Hilton, David Hoopes and Marc Lauper and if you want to know about the biggest ask Dougie Swanson. These boys and their dads spent a week end in the rough and they have plenty of fish stories about Monterey deep sea fishing.

Ruth and Doug Swanson took a flying trip to MIA convention and on east to visit Doug's folks, and then to New York and many other points of interest. They will drive a new car back home We will all be anxious to hear of their trip.

Make the most of this summer but be careful and prayerful.

Joseph Smith Prophet or Fraud?

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struction of a stake tabernacle in conjunction with Maxwell Park ward chapel.

He commended workers at home and abroad for their part in the missionary program, and counselled all Church members to guard against the tempter's inducements to youth to break the Word of Wisdom. He beautifully explained the strength of Jesus in resisting temptations of Satan.

DENNIS LAUPER

High Councilman Dennis Lauper reminded Ward Teachers that they are "spiritual doctors;" said they are expected to visit the homes just as doctors are expected to keep their appointments.

Pointing out that ward teaching is home-strengthening and that no nation will rise higher than the level of its homes, he declared there is no substitute for personnel contact. Brother Lauper stress-the importance of praying with members, and hearing a testimony to them, and helping them to keep affiliated and help attend to their needs.

RUTH S. HILTON

Sister Hilton, who has been chairman of the Stake LDS Girls committee, reviewed the work of the committee including the setting up of the trophy. This month the Girls' trophy was awarded to Elmhurst ward with 329 points. Second was Dimond, 290; and third, Oakland, 263.

Sister Hilton will serve as age-group counselor for the YWMIA which has been given responsibility for the girls' program, stressing attendance, keeping the law of tithing, living the Word of Wisdom and speaking in public.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Sunday afternoon session of Oakland Stake's quarterly conference was thrilled by the singing of the Mormon Male Chorus under the direction of Robert Sant.

Apostle Merrill re-emphasized that we must have more faith in the truth of the things we teach.

"We are not a Catholic church, not a Protestant church, and not a Jewish church, but the restored Church of Jesus Christ. We are God's own Church, not a church set up by men.

"We know that Satan is here. We know that his evil spirits have been seen. Force is a weapon of the devil; force is anti-God."

PRESIDENT NORBERG

Brother Norberg touched on the simplicity of ordinations in the Church.

Our Gospel is profound and does not depend on show, but how simple and yet profound are baptism symbolizing a re-birth, and cleanliness; the Sacrament and what it means; and the marriage ceremony for time and eternity.

HERBERT MARSH

Stake Mission President Herbert Marsh asked "What is Man?" He stressed the fact that only an informed people can be free, and only a free people can be informed.

Drawing from section 75 of the Doctrine and Covenants, he showed that it is the Lord's will that we go forth to teach.

"You are all missionaries, every day," he reminded members. "you're the finest missionaries because you are dealing with your neighbors."

He concluded by urging members to work together cooperatively, to walk with dignity, and to serve with a dedication beyond one's self.

Reports were presented by returned missionaries: Paul Thompson from the North Central States; Elder Lamb, from New England states; and Reed Ogden from Uruguay.

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Utah Firsts In Sports In A Century

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Alf Engen, Utah's greatest skier, has won 16 of the 21 national championships which the state holds to its honor.....Jack Dempsey began his ring fighting around SLC, and is a Utahn by adoption, tho born in a Mormon home in the Mormon settlement of Manassah, Colo.....Herman Franks, catcher in turn for the Cardinals, Dodgers, Athletes and Giants, began his baseball career at East high school in 1930.

George Von Elm is Utah's greatest golfer, he being the Von Elm who beat Bobby Jones in 1926 for the U. S. amateur championship. He won the Utah state title at the age of 16, and three times later before heading into the big circuit.

In basketball, Utah's athlete of the century is declared to be Vern Gardner, three-time all-American winner of the National Invitation tournament's most valuable player award. U. of U. was his school.

Frank Christensen of the U. of U., who led the Utes to their fifth straight Rocky Mt. championship title in 1932, is selected as the state's best football player of the century.....Utah's top bicycle rider of the century is Iver Lawson, who was acclaimed the world's greatest rider in the years 1904-10.

MIA June Conference

At the great MIA June Conference in Salt Lake City the executives' session had to move from the Assembly Hall into the Tabernacle. 4,000 were in attendance.

"Get the Spirit of the Lord into all phases of MIA work—without this, the best techniques and training in the world can be only a miserable failure," Ezra Taft Benson told the MIA conference.

Two hundred Master M Men attended the group's annual breakfast Saturday morning, June 17, at Hotel Utah. "True to the Faith" was the theme.

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Reflections

By LOU SCHREPEL

"There is no joy like that which comes from a useful life, the perpetual effort to do our level best; to try to get ahead without crowding others back, or injuring their opportunities, or interfering with their rights; making the most of ourselves not only without making anyone else the poorer, but by helping them as we go. When one man goes upward, he can carry a score with him, if he will."

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Hawaiian Temple at Laie to be Visited

August 9-14, 1950, will be observed in the Hawaiian Islands by the Latter-day Saints as the anniversary of the opening of the first mission of the church in the islands. Many LDS from the mainland are planning to attend these memorable exercises.

Led by Apostle Charles C. Rich, the original missionary group landed in Honolulu December 12, 1850. After only three years of intensive labors, the mission included 4000 members and branches were functioning on all the islands of the group.

The six-day program of events includes, besides a pilgrimage to the island of Maui, where the first branch of the church began, an Oahu stake conference at Honolulu at the beautiful Oahu stake tabernacle, and a series of tableaus and pageants depicting the growth and development of the church in Hawaii, a concert in the tabernacle, a native net fishing party, a day spent at the temple at Laie, and general sight-seeing.

Mission In Argentina

By RULON C. OGDEN.

Many have said, "My Mission was the happiest time of my life," so I shall try and give some experiences showing why I think that is true in my case. In Argentina we worked a little differently than in the majority of the fields. When missionaries enter a new town the first thing they look for is a house to rent that has a large salon for meetings as well as living quarters for themselves.

The people there hesitate to invite a stranger into their houses. Therefore the first duty of every missionary is to win their confidence by following the Golden Rule and proving that he is a true representative of Christ.

In our every day work one comes in contact with all types of people. Since there are no zoning laws in the cities it is common to find a very elaborate home next to one of very poor construction. In an ordinary day one meets people of many different social standings, education and wealth, and must conform to the status of the other person. To do this he must depend on the influence of the Holy Ghost.

As an example of these extremes, we went directly from a home Primary held in a two-room mud and straw hut out in the country, to a birthday party in the luxurious home of a family of high social eminence in that town. Both were delightful experiences.

It has been said, "Missionaries do the planting; the harvest is God's." In one case, after a friendly conversation with one man, we chanced to meet him downtown and took him to Mutual with us. From that time on, he, his wife, and four children have attended the meetings regularly. He still claims he can't believe all the teachings but he wants his wife and family to hear them and believe them because it is good for them morally and spiritually.

Hayward Ward

ANNE LIVINGSTON.

Mr Stork visited Hayward ward twice in June. He flew around the McFadden home but remembering his little passenger was a boy he flew on to Bob and Margaret Webb Johnson. A day or two later he was called to the McFadden home again and guess what? It was a boy. To make six little sons to bless Maurice and Ines.

The genealogical society's carnival was a huge success. Dorothy Webb was crowned queen, Cherie White was second and Carol Lamb third. A total of $510 was taken in to help finish the chapel.

We are very happy to welcome Edward Elliott and Ray Kent as members—they were baptized last month.

Phylis Perry became the bride of Leonard Moore May 6. They will make their home in Hayward.

We are glad to welcome our girls home from the "R" for the summer. Norma Loomis, Susan Ream, Helen Emmerson and Maxine Ray. They were given awards for attendance that was given the rest of our girls at Easter time.

The Primary graduated the following: Kay Smith, Barbara Lamkin, Noreene McClellan and Alan Ream. Alan was ordained to the Aaronic Priesthood by his father, Dr. Milton Ream.

June 9 the Scout Troop 2 sponsored a pot luck dinner to raise funds for summer camp, also to celebrate the nd anniversary of the troop organization. The Eagle Patrol on table decorations, the bat Patrol on cake decoration. The group joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to Jimmy Abreu. Badges were awarded to the Scouts who participated in the cam poree.

The choir has closed for the summer but will reopen with new vigor in the Fall. Any and all are welcome. It was the Lord who said, "The song of the righteous is a prayer unto me.

Also, there was a woman who seemed to understand the Gospel before it was explained to her. She would correlate the principles taught in the cottage meetings and tell us how they applied to the subject taught the next time. She had had very little religious instruction before meeting the Elders.

But the example I like best is that of a young boy who attended Mutual for the first time. The lesson was on the Word of Wisdom. Upon leaving he said to me, "I can give up liquor, tobacco and coffee, but I'm part English and it's going to be hard to quit drinking tea—but I'll try my best." And that is what he did. Although he knew neither of us nor any other member of the Church, he recognized the truth and took the positive approach to make his life conform to the new found knowledge. He was baptized six months later and has fulfilled a part-time mission and is one of the pillars of an active and growing branch.

I pray that we may always appreciate the Gospel and help others to recognize its beauties by living and teaching its principles throughout our lives. We are truely blessed to have such a heritage.

Forced Exodus

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we have an abundance of staple commodities, such as flour, meal, beef, mutton, pork, milk, butter and, in some instances, cheese, sugar, coffee, tea, etc. We feel contented and happy in the wilderness. The God of Isreal is with us—union and peace prevail; and as we journey, as did Abraham of old, with iur flocks and herds to a distant land, we feel like him, we are doing the will of our Heavenly Father and relying upon his word and promises; and having his blessing, we feel that we are children of the same promise and hope; and that the great Jehovah is our God."

Such remarks as these lighten the rather somber picture that is sometimes drawn by writers who relate the story of the expulsion from Nauvoo, and the subsequent journey in the wilderness; and who in their anxiety to give a vivid picture of the sufferings of the saints, forget to vindicate the goodness of God who was with his people in those trying times, and who, by opening the way before them to obtain food and lands to dwell upon, and giving them strength as their day, made their afflictiins light. —A Comprehensive History of the Church by B. H. Roberts, Vol. III, pp. 49-50.

Martinez Ward

Graduation time is over; Martinez certainly had its share of graduates. Betty McKinney was our only college grad from San Mateo Junior College; from Mt Diablo high school came Sandra and Jimmy Parker, Robert Patterson, Gerald Bradbury and Lucretia Markham, the latter receiving a journalism scholarship given by the school newspaper.

Martinez had also a fair list of Primary graduates. Congratulations go to Gerald Hult, Michel Carlston, Jerry Lyle Fulmer, Jean Cook, Marilyn Evenson, Judy Peterson, Judith Holbrook, Joan Duke and LaRu Ackhurst.

Scout Master Gelliam announces that troop 188 received proficiency rating at the recent Camporee held by the Berkeley-Contra Costa county council, and that they were the only Martinez troop to win that rating.

The young people of Martinez ward truly had a grand outing in San Francisco June 24. Sixteen Fireside members attended a dinner at Fisherman's Wharf and then spent several hours at Playland. Those joining in the fun were Bob and Eleanor Vom Dorp, Barbara Roskelly, Nancy and Kenny Dahlin, Jean Baker, Jerry and Venita Hult, Miles Harrieth, Lu Markham, Andy Easton, Lorna Dolan, John Vaccarello and Loretta Price. Grant Shaw acted as chaperon in the absence of Mrs. Vom Dorp who was vacationing in Utah.

Utah-Idaho Notes

From DAILY DESERET NEWS.

Jack Curtis, from Texas Western University, is the U. of Utah's new head football coach and athletic director to replace Ike Armstrong.....The Skyline Six hereafter will become the Skyline Eight, adding New Mexico and Montana Universities to the three in Utah, two in Colorado and the University of Wyoming, who fight it out annually in football, basketball and other major sports.

Pittsburg Ward

Pittsburg notes an increase in population! Mr. and Mrs. Don Paquette are the proud parents of a girl, their first child. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Porter also recently welcomed a baby girl, and Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell, just to be different, are the proud possessors of a new baby boy. Pittsburg ward is just as happy and proud as the parents. Children are always a welcome addition to any ward.

Elder Douglas Hinckley, missionary recently called to the Mexican Mission, left on June 19 for the Mission Home in Salt Lake City, accompanied by his mother, Emma Hinckley. This is the second young man from Pittsburg ward called to this mission, Elder Roger Magleby having recently returned from Mexico. We'll miss Doug's pleasant face around, but our hearts are with him.

Katherine Kenner, a former member of our ward and a very nice one, has returned to Brentwood for the summer months, accompanied by Bros. Alvin and Terry Price of Tucson, Arizona, who are working at Columbia Steel company during the summer. Katherine s father, Robert L. Kenner will take over the Institute at the University of California this fall, having been appointed director.

The Ladies' Chorus and Relief Society have been disbanded for the vacation months, with the exception of Relief Society word day once a month. However, the other organizations, the Primary and the MIA, are keeping a full schedule, loaded with entertainment and fun galore. On June 27 the MIA holds its June Jamboree in the Pittsburg Park, with expectations of an extra special good time.

A new Primary presidency has been formed for the summer months, consisting of Delano Krey, president; Mary Crane, first counselor, and Julia Smith, second counselor. All of these ladies are very competent and should make the summer very pleasant for the little tots.

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Brooklyn Pioneers Alameda Settlers

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turned to farm and establish homes, schools and chapels beginning in 1847 in and around present Irvington.

From here onward we listen to "Anna" Patton.

Latter-day Saints First Settlers in Alameda Co.

CHAPTER I

John M. Horner and Elizabeth Imlay, both of New Jersey, were married just a few days before the ship Brooklyn sailed out of New York harbor. Their honeymoon was six months long and extended from 18,000 to 24,000 miles. Mrs. Horner is often referred to as the "bride of the Brooklyn."

Horner was by aptitude and training a farmer. He loved the soil. Therefore, he and his bride rode horseback around San Francisco bay to Marsh's Landing (now Antioch, Contra Costa county), so that Horner might begin share cropping for Dr. John Marsh of early California fame.

However, the vivid memory of the smooth valley and melons, and vegetables grown near Mission San Jose haunted Horner so much that he and his young wife soon saddled their horses and road back to what would some day become Irvington, Alameda county.

They leased, and later bought, some land from an Indian where Horner built a little house, planted grain, potatoes and vegetables. Unfortunately, great herds of roving cattle soon ate the crops. When the rains came, however, Horner fenced a plot and planted another crop. Then the insect pests destroyed it. The Horners felt discouraged.

In the early summer of 1848 they went to Mormon Island on the American river above Sacramento. There, each Mormon received an equal-sized plot of ground on which to dig gold. Again misfortune overwhelmed them. The Horners struck no gold, but both contracted fever. In the midst of their affliction they longed to get back to land that would produce food. Horner loved the soil more than ever. He knew gold diggers would need and pay for food.

HORNER BECOMES FIRST FARMER IN ALAMEDA CO.

They returned to their little house on Mission creek which Horner supposed he had purchased from the sightful owner. However, the conflict in land laws and litigation, which was not settled until 1866, made it necessary for him to pay for this land no less than five times before he secured a valid title to the land.

From his small beginnings at farming Horner prospered until in a relatively short time he became one of the richest farmers in California. His onions at one dollar a pound, cabbages at one dollar per head, his potatoes, melons and vegetables at proportionate prices, saved the scurvied miners' lives. He was industrious, never speculated, but accumulated his earnings. Horner also was an honest and a God fearing man and a community builder.

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He gave Alameda county its first American home, opened miles of public roads, still in use, built miles of fences, erected the first wheelwright shop, first blacksmith shop, equipped and operated the first stage line and owned the first steam boat to ply from the southern end of the bay to the city of San Francisco.

Furthermore, Horner owned flour mills, gave the ground for a cemetery (now known as the lost grave yard). Of the eight towns that Horner started, or helped to start, in southern Alameda county many are today thriving cities.

Quote from Merritt's History of Alameda County:

"John M. Horner pitched his tent not far from what would someday be known as Washington Corners (Irvington), and to him belongs the honor of being the first American to settle in Washington township."

Also from the Historical Atlas by Thompson and West (1878):

"John M. Horner was the first American to settle in Alameda county." This as in 1847. Washington township in what is today southern Alameda county, was settled long before metropolitian Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda and other cities were thought of.

EARLIEST PERMANENT SETTLERS IN THE STATE

From the 1950 edition of "History of Washington Township," I quote:

"In 1846 there came to San Francisco the famous ship Brooklyn with her Latter-day Saint passengers who formed the earliest permanent settlers in the state. Among them were John M. Horner and wife, Earl Marshall, wife and stepson, Simeon Stiver, and Origin Mowry. In 1847 John M. Horner and bride came to Washington Corners, now Centerville in southern Alameda county to live. At that time there was not another American resident between Mission San Jose and the Contra Costa line. There were not five men of the Anglo-Saxon race on this side of San Francisco bay. His son, William, was born in 1848 and was the first white child born in the township.

"In early times there was, of course, only the Mission (Catholic) church, but after the Americans came the Latter-day Saints held services in the upper story of the adobe on the Naile place and soon afterwards at Horner's school house in Centerville."—(page 16)

HORNER ERECTS FIRST CHAPEL, SCHOOL HOUSE, AND ORGANIZED FIRST NON-CATHOLIC CHURCH CHURCH IN ALAMEDA CO.

In 1850 John M. Horner built this building. Halley calls it a chapel, other historians call it a church, and many call it a school house as it was used for that purpose for many, many years. As was the case in all Mormon colonies, one building served all three purposes—church, school and social hall.

The Southern Pacific depot in Centerville now stands on the spot where this building was originally built. Quoting again from the history of Washington township, we learn. "Of all buildings of that romantic period, the so-called 'Horner school house' is the most dramatic."

FIRST CHURCH SERVICES AND NON-CATHOLIC MARRIAGE IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

Horner was a religious man, an elder in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints. In this little school house he preached on Sunday afternoon to a congregation of 30 or 40 people, mostly Latter-day Saints. He also held Mormon services at different ranches. We read of the first wedding service at Niles in 1852 being read by Elder Horner, and uniting Edna Stuart and Ray Stanley in marriage.

John M. Horner was not only wealthy, but kind and generous. On alternate Sunday mornings he gave the Methodists and Presbyterians the use of his building for their respective services. The first Presbyterian church to organize in the county was organized in this building by Reverend Brier, one of the "Jayhawkers" of Death Valley. The Presbyterians built their own little church nearby in 1868.

LDS ELDER HARVEY GREEN BECAME FIRST ALAMEDA CO. SCHOOL TEACHER

Horner's first school in Centerville was moved to Irvington in 1862 to become the first public school there. Elder Harvey Green was also the first teacher. It served as a school house until 1873. It was then torn down and the material used in the Powell home, now owned by W. W. Hirsh. Later, Horner moved to Union City near present Alvarado, Alameda county, which he also founded. Here he held Sunday services in a building called the Brooklyn House, named in honor of the ship Brooklyn.

JOHN HORNER LOSES ALL IN 1855-56 PANIC

While John Horner was very wealthy, he trusted people overmuch. He signed notes for many people and when the terrible panic of 1855-56 struct with devastating suddeness, Horner was left ill and penniless. The only daughter he had at that time died. He even took the watch from his pocket to pay on accounts. He began working to buy back the original home on Mission creek, where once he assembled one of the first "package houses" that came "around the Horn." He started over again. He did well in real estate transactions by selling the Potrero tract in San Francisco.

HORNER MAKES NEW START IN HAWAII—WRITES A PAMPHLET

However, Horner preferred a new field for a fresh start. In 1879 he sailed for Hawaii there to work for the Spreckles Sugar Co. He was elected as a noble by the Hawaiians. He prospered and was blessed with more sons and daughters. A natural student, he wrote in 1878 a pamphlet, "National Finance and Public Money" to which he appended a 25-page autobiography in which he graphically recounts his youth in California. He tells of the first agricultural fair held in San Francisco October 24, 1851, at which he was given the title of "First Farmer of California," and awarded a silver goblet which he treasured all his subsequent life. In this sketch he makes a strong appeal to young men to refrain from use of tobacco, intoxicating drink, and all forms of gambling. In regards to his misfortune, he quotes Job. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord.' He died May 7, 1907.

Brother Frank Woolley of Honolulu says that although Mr. Horner became inactive in the church he never denied the faith. Many Brooklyn saints became reorganized Latter-day Saints during the 35 years there were no mission aries in California—1857-1892—but many never wavered in their loyalty to the church.

George Bain and LaVern Gaisford Wed

The many friends of George Bain and LaVern Gaisford will rejoice with them in their June wedding. A reception was held in their home in Berkeley Sunday, July 9, from two to five.

George has served as circulation manager of the Messenger for many years. His wife is probably the best known person to more LDS college students than any other lady, because of the "Gaisford House" she has maintained for their eating and sleeping comforts for these many years.

The best wishes of their host of friends go out to them at this happy time.

"Jack" Smith Leaves For Canadian Mission

Elder John Thomas Smith of Berkeley Second Ward received his call and left for the Mission Home all within a week. "Jack's" farewell was held Friday, June 16, 1950, and was a unique affair in that so many of his family could contribute to the program numbers.

For instance there was his sister, Kathryn Baer, who gave a delightful reading, and Kay Baer, his brother-in-law, who offered the invocaion. Jesse Smith, father, made some interesting remarks, while his mother, Minnie T. Smith and his aunt, Carrie T. Moses, were heard in a beautiful vocal duet.

The writer had the happy experience of riding as far as Sacramento in an auto with "Jack," as he started for Salt Lake City the morning after his farewell party. He was very cheerful, witty and still properly sobered and impressed with the call that had come to him. His field of labor is to be the Canadian Mission.

We note on the farewell program that the Berkeley second ward has two missionaries already abroad: Claude M. Dewsnup in the British Mission where he is now serving as a traveling representative of the Mission president looking for sites for branch chapels which the Church may acquire; and Gwynne W. Barrett, in the Central States Mission.

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LDS Researcher Finds New Linguistic Proof for Authenticity of the B. of M.

Thomas Stuart Ferguson, our east bay attorney and student of the Book of Mormon and its archeological evidences, has recently reported the finding of startling new linguistic evidence that the Book of Mormon is truly a record of a people whose background included Hebrew culture.

This new bit of evidence for the authenticity of the Nephite record comes from his search into Hebrew-English dictionaries for a possible Hebrew equivalent for the Book of Mormon word "Liahona," the instrument which acted as a compass to guide Lehi and his family in their desert journeys toward the promised land.

All personal and many other names in the Book of Mormon are left in their original tongue as cumon, (an animal), ezron (measurement of silver), limnah (measurement of gold), neas (a food plant, rameumpton (high stand in synagogue), sheum (a food plant), ziff (a metal), etc. So it was with "liahona," (a compass).

Neither the term, "liahona," nor any other of the terms mentioned above appear in the Old Testament. Joseph Smith either fabricated such "original" terms or they are authentic names given to certain objects by ancients from the Near or Middle East people familiar with the Semetic tongues, Hebrew and Arabic, and with modified Egyptian. If he fabricated them, this would be readily discernible when we examine such a technical matter as the term, "liahona." Neither Joseph Smith nor any of his associates knew any of the ancient languages.

Researcher Ferguson recently resumed his search for light on the term, "liahona.' Consulting James Strong's Hebrew-English dictionary, "A Concise Dictionary of the Words in the Hebrew Bible," 1890, which has since that time been through 15 successive printings, he found that in Hebrew the word **lia** or **liha** or **leha** (h almost always silent) means "point;" and that the Hebrew word "hona" or "honah" means "whither, thither, thither-ward."

Thus the two original Hebrew words, when put together mean "point whither," and when compounded are pronounced "lia-hona," or "lia-hena." (The ancient Hebrew did not write the vowels—used only the consonants, the vowels being inferred. Thus difference in vowels are not ordinarily significant.)

Now, with this "point whither" meaning of the word "liahona' in mind read the words of the Book of Mormon regarding he instrument which later became known among the Nephites as the "liahona" (Alma 37:38).

"And it came to pass that as my father arose in the morning, and went forth to the tent door, to his great astonishment he beheld upon the ground a round ball of curious workmanship; and it was of fine brass. And within the ball were two spindles; and the one **pointed the way whither** we should go in the wilderness." I Nephi 16:20.

When later the Nephities coined a word for this curious instrument, their compass in the wilderness, we would expect them to use descriptive terms even as we moderns do in naming a new device such as "**automobile,**" meaning "self moving." The name "Liahona, meaning "point whither," is descriptive of the functioning of the instrument, for it pointed whither they should travel. Is this not a gratifying and startling discovery?

BUSINESS NOTES

Bybee and Bliss, 38th Avenue, Oakland, realtors, announce current construction of six two- and three-bedroom homes on Lahuna avenue, near Carmel. We understand that this interesting location is but a short distance from the great hillside LDS temple site. Price ranges from $13,500 to $16,000, we are informed. Besides these six constructions, Bybee and Bliss have three other cottages under construction.

MONEY SAVING RECIPE BOOK FREE

The High Priests, Berkeley stake, advise food conservation.

Ask for "Family Fare, Booklet of Food Management and Recipes." It is issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture free by simply writing to your congressman, Washington, D. C. Furthermore, if you send five cents to "The Superintendent of Documents," Washington, D. C., you may obtain a bulletin, "How to Use Dried Milk."

Twenty-five Fairly Large Business Operations Among Our LDS Members Locally.

(THE MAY MESSENGER LISTED THE 25 LARGEST LDS LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES)

1. The Beneficial Life Insurance agency, Chas. J. Taylor, CLU., general agent with a force of about ten agents.

2. Ericksen and Ericksen, attorneys, Oakland. A. D. Ericksen, Preston Ericksen.

3. J. Leon White, insurance broker of Hayward and Oakland.

4. Gordon E. Wilkins, California agency, Ironrite ironers.

5. El Rey Food Market, Walnut Creek, Horace C. Cherrington and J. L. Brown.

6. Brooklyn French Laundry, Joy E. Brisco, owner.

7. Bybee and Bliss, realty dealers, east Oakland.

8. Oaks Variety Store, Solano Ave., Berkeley, Earl and Roxy Peterson, owners.

9. Dime and Dollar Store, Lafayette, Kenneth Jensen, owner.

10. General Saw and Law Mower Service, San Leandro. Rulon H. and Mary T. Knowles, owners.

11. Crown Electric Maintenance Co., San Francisco. William M. Powell, (Dimond ward), manager and partner.

13. Lewis S. Williams Sewing Machine shop, San Leandro.

14. Rug Clinic, 1636 E. 14th St., Oakland, C. Craig Robertson, proprietor.

15. Alameda Food Shop and Bakery, Wendell Jensen, proprietor.

16. Russell Heath Cleaners, San Leandro, Russell and Winifred Heath, proprietors.

17. Lura Glo Laboratories, Oakland. J. Lloyd Johnson, proprietor.

18. East Bay Refinoil Co., Don C. Wood and Sons, proprietors.

19. Scott H. Dunham and Geo. D. Hughes, certified accountants in firm of John Forbes and Co., San Francisco.

20. Millward's Market, Berkeley, Sel and Curt Millward, prop.

21. Theodore R. Ruegg, architect, designer of six east bay chapels, and many chapels in the Northern California Mission.

22. Charles H. Maurer, contractor and builder. Leonard Lyons associated.

23. American National Insurance Co., Louis A. Schrepel, general agent, Oakland.

24. "Brother Jonathan Healthatorium," Jonathan Heaton. prop., Piedmont, Ave., Oakland.

25. Nico D. Snell, composer, director-conductor, teacher of voice, piano, violin. Studios in Berkeley, Oakland, Vallejo and Walnut Creek.

Almadeane Feller New YL Stake Prexy

Almadeane Feller has been called to serve as president of the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association of Berkeley stake, succeeding Ardell Kay who, with her counselors, Eva Harker and Helen Burdett, have been released with many thanks and great good wishes of the entire stake Mutual organizations.

Sister Feller attended the June MIA conference and returned with unbounded enthusiasm.

She declared that the Mutual program for this year is the grandest one yet devised and, she added, never was there a time in the history of the church when the young people needed this program so much. Nor has there been a time when competent leaders have an opportunity to do a greater missionary service than guiding our young people now in the paths which lead to a knowledge of the gospel and the great joy that comes from that knowledge and its application to service to God's children.

Sister Feller thus continues a lifelong record of church service to young people. She has served as a ward Gleaner leader, advisors to the girls of Gama Rho Chi and member of the Berkeley stake Genealogical committee in charge of teen-age members, from which she was recently released.

She attended school at Berkeley high and the University of California. Born in Preston, Idaho, she lived at Idaho Falls until the family moved to Berkeley.

Going Into Business?

What Business Opportunities May the Local Colony be Overlooking?

Comparison of our East Bay Directory with a similar directory published currently in the LDS newspaper in Los Angeles, The Intermountain News, is at least suggestive.

Perhaps the L. A. area contains about three times our local Church population.

A comparsion of the two Directories reveals that the LDS in the L. A. area are engaging in some businesses not only more freely than we are but to a larger extent than we should expect them to do on a population basis. We list these particular businesses below for whatever value the information may be worth. The figures represent the number of these listings in the L. A. Directory. In our directory these businesses were either not listed at all or had only one or two stores.

Apartment House 4, Apparel mfg. 1, Apiarists 3, Auto parts 3, Auto repairs 3, Auto upholstery 3, Bicycles 2, Building Supplies 2, Cabinet makers 8, Catering 1, Clothing stores 6, Concrete contractors 3, Cosemetic 2, Delicatessen 1, Dental Laboratory 2, Drafting service 3, Dressmaking 4, Electrical contractors 9, Frozen food lockers 4, Hatcheries 3, Interior decorating 3, Landscaping 7, Machine shop 5, Manufacturing engineers 6, Mortuaries 4, Optometrists 8, Photography 8, Plastering 16, Plumbing 6, Radio sales and services 4, Service stations 16, shoe repairs 5, Shoe retail 3, Sporting goods 3, Travel and transportation 2, Trucking 7, Van Storage 2.

It is only fair to say that our East Bay Area Directory shows apparently that our region excells the L. A. region in the extent to which our people engage in certain businesses. Of course this may be due to the omission of these listings down there by over sight on someone's part. We list some of these businesses below: Auto oils, baby shop, beauty preparations, bookkeeping, chinchilla farm, poultrymen, commercial artists, dairy products, dry cleaners, florists. health food stores, laundry, motels, saw filing, sewing machines, theatres, tire service, trailer sales and venetian blind factories.

Utah Pioners Used Western Maps, Guides

(Quotations from Robert's "Comp. History of the Church.")
Preface to Vol. 3, page XXII:

"There has been an impression created that the Pioneers of 1847 plunged into a tractless wilderness of a thousand miles extent without chart or map or compass or any pre-knowledge of the land to which they were moving; left to find their way blindly from day to day through the wilderness, save only as they were guided by supernatural inspiration or revelation.

"The publication of the maps and charts of the western regions from the Missouri river to and including the Rocky Mountains and the Great Basin, showing the location of mountain ranges, the rivers, their course and their names; their valleys, including the Great Salt Lake itself, and adjacent valleys with descriptions—all of which maps and charts were extant and in the possession of the Latter-day Saint leaders before their westeward journey began, for they make mention of these maps in their Journals, and even of copying some of them for use by companies other than their own . . ."

"These Latter-day Saint Pioneers were not men of the wilderness, hunters and trappers, such as Peter Skeen Ogden, or James Bridger. Nor were they "pathfinders" or explorers such as the men of the Lewis and Clark Expedition of Fremont, or Bonneville. They were Pioneers but they were Pioneers of the "covered wagon" type and mission. Pioneers of empire building. They will found settlements, make villages, build towns anl cities, and create states and civilization.

"It detracts nothing from their work or fame to say that the Pioneers were not "pathfinders" or "explorers," or men of the wilderness after the hunter or trapper type. To credit men with what they are not, detracts from what they are. Thus with the Pioneers the title of state founders, pioneer builders of civilization where before it did not exist; making more than "two spears of grass to grow where before but one grew;" and in such achievement there is enough of honor and of glory for them and for their posterity."

From Nauvoo to Winter Quarters in '46 More Strenuous Than Thence to S. L.

The Former Journey of 250 Miles Required More Than Four Cold, Stormy Winter Months; the Latter, 1035 Miles, Three and One-half Months in Springtime

Do many of our church members forget that the forced winter exodus of thousands of saints across just one state, Iowa, in 1846, was more laborious and painful; was composed of 15,000 men, women and children; and was more costly of life than the longer, yet faster, journey made by the 143 selected male Utah pioneers of 1847? It would seem so.

Ask any one where the Utah pioneers began their journey to the Great Basin and the answer, if any, would most likely be "Winter Quarters," or "Council Bluffs," near Omaha, on the Missouri river. And ask the year and the obvious answer would seem to be "1847" from April to July. And yet, in reality, these answers overlook the plain facts of history. The exodus to Utah started at Nauvoo February 4, 1846. Winter Quarters was only a by-station on the way to the Rocky Mountains. The exodus was comprised of two parts, each strenuous, each a part of the complete western move of the saints.

When Brigham Young and the thousands (15,000 in 1846) of saints left Nauvoo their announced destination was the Great Basin of the Rocky Mountains to which the Prophet Joseph Smith had predicted they should yet be driven. The only event that prevented the 1846 consumation of that plan was the call in June 1846 that came to the "Camp of Israel" at Council Bluffs for 500 volunteers, the Mormon Battalion, for service in the war against Mexico.

It would seem clear, therefore, that the complete answer to the question is the statement that the Latter-day Saint exodus to Utah began at Nauvoo, and not, as generally stated, at Winter Quarters.

If the 143 under Pres. Young had gone as planned to Utah in 1846, not having been delayed, as stated, by the call for the Mormon Battalion, then, may we ask, would there be any doubt but that the trek of the Utah pioneers began at Nauvoo? It would then have been seen as the obvious truth.

The point we make is fundamentally important if we are to assess the pioneer movement at its true value in terms of toil, sweat and tears. The afflictions and sorrows of the Iowa leg of the journey must not be overshadowed just because events caused a years pause in the westward journey

Elder Douglas Hinckley

For the second time within a month Pittsburg is sending a missionary into the field. Elder Douglas Hinckley, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hinckley, 639 Central Avenue, Pittsburg, entered the Mission home in Salt Lake City on June 19, having been called to labor in Mexico. He was accompanied to Salt Lake City by his mother, Emma Hinckley. Pittsburg ward will miss Douglas for he has been very active in the ward from the time he was a small boy.

On June 6 a farewell testimonial honoring this fine young man was held in the ward recreation hall, which was attended by a very large group, attesting to his popularity.

"Doug," as he is affectionately known to his friends, was born in Salt Lake City and resided in Provo, Utah, before coming to Pittsburg with his parents in 1936. He has been attending the University of California, majoring in education, and upon his return from his mission intends to resume his studies at Santa Barbara Teachers' College to obtain his degree. He has a brother, Carlyle, also well known in this area, who is at the present time attending college in Corvallis, Oregon.

Doug is an avid sportsman, excelling particularly in the fields of skating and shooting. He has also been faithful in Boy Scout work.

Joyce Briscoe

On June 9, 1950, members and friends of Maxwell Park ward assembled for a fine program in the Dimond ward chapel. This program, under the direction of Rodney Pocock, served to bid farewell to Joyce Briscoe, who had been called to labor in the Eastern States Mission. She entered the Mission Home on June 19.

Joyce had been active in both ward and stake affairs, having served as stake Gleaner president, Golden Gleaner representative, this past year as a stake Bee Hive advisor. Joyce has always been willing to offer her time and talents in any capacity in which she was called. Now she has received the most important call of her life.

D. H. Rock Reports Missionary's Joys

One of our missionaries, Delbert H. Rock, Jr., is serving as Branch President in Montevideo, Argentina. We are quoting from a recent letter which describes his experiences during a conference in the mission:

"Sunday morning we held our conference in one of the largest buildings in town. We started at ten o'clock and finished at 12:30 I had the privilege of being the closing speaker in the morning session. I was assigned the subject of the testimonies of the 11 witnesses to the Book of Mormon.

"I don't know when I have been so nervous or so humble as when I was sitting upon that stand by the side of the president waiting for the other speakers to take their parts.

"So when time came for my talk you can imagine how I felt as I stood up in front of that congregation of more than 250 people. I had nothing memorized except the testimony of the three witnesses. When I stood up to speak I did not know what I was going to say, but I can bear humble testimony that when I was speaking I had the Spirit of the Lord with me. I shall always be grateful for that experience.

"I stood up there and gave the testimony which the three had given. I knew that it was true, and I told the audience that it was true. I don't sound very humble in the way I have written this, but it was so wonderful that I wanted you to know about it. I know more than ever now that I can do no earthly good as a missionary unless I have His Spirit with me. I know that if I do any good that it will be due to the Lord and not anything I have done.

"I sat down with the greatest spirit of contentment I had felt in a long time. To think that I had been talking in a foreign tongue with as much ease as my native tongue. I wasn't translating from English to Spanish; I was thinking and speaking in Spanish. I hope I can always be humble enough to have the Spirit of the Lord with me. It made me appreciate just how much the Church meant to me. I hated to sing the closing lines of that song and to know that the conference was closing with them.

"Afterwards, try as I might, I couldn't keep back the tears. I would look at all those people talking and enjoying he company of one another. I would go up to congratulate one of the speakers, or Elder Slight for the music, and tears would come so that I could not say what I felt. I had to go into a back room until the feeling left me.

"I will be eternally thankful for that conference and for the testimony of the Spirit which was felt there."

Notice to Bishops Re Songbook Orders

The Deseret News advises us to state that orders for Hymn Books should be sent direct to the Deseret Book Co., and not thru local Deseret Book agents. This applies only to Hymn Books. All other church books may yet be ordered directly thru the East Bay Deseret Book agent, I. B. Ball, 1612 Spruce St., Berkeley. altho they cannot be sold in the chapels any longer.

Hymn Books will not be ready for about five months. However, the sooner bishops get their orders in, the sooner they will get the books when they are ready. Orders are now being filed in order of arrival at the Deseret Book company.